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THE PHILADELPHIA'S MISSION

According to the San Francisco papers Hawaii is going to war with Japan and Admiral Beardslee has been ordered down here to take a hand in the fracas. This is interesting if true, but it seems somewhat strange we should get our first advices from San Francisco. The newspapermen of the West have evidently taken their cue from some of the exaggerated yarns sent out from Honolulu telling of Japanese "riots" at the quarantine station. It is safe to state that the rumors of war purporting to come from "inside" sources are nothing more or less than fakes conjured within some bright reporter's brain.

When the facts are known it will probably be found that the assignment of the flagship Philadelphia to this port is due simply to the determination of the administration, particularly the navy department to treat Hawaii according to its importance as one of the principal posts under the protection of the American flag. We cannot believe that the sudden despatch of the flagship to this port is due to any plea made by this Government or any of its representatives. While the Mariposa, which brought the war news, was on its way to Honolulu, President Dole entertained the Japanese Consul and wife at dinner. This does not look much like war with Japan. If our representatives in Washington have raised the cry of "wolf, wolf" before the doors of the administration, they have done the country more harm than good. The officers of the Philadelphia will find that the situation here is about the same as when they left more than a year ago. They will find no opportunity to burn powder unless they buy the condemned bark Rosalie and blow it up.

The Government is handling immigrants according to the law of the land. We have yet to hear that Japan or any other government has made any unusual fuss. If the officers of the Philadelphia scent battle from afar, they will discover that the breeze swept other plains than those of Hawaii.

PUBLIC SPIRIT IN OUR YOUNG MEN.

In one of Ian Maclaren's talks on his recent visit to the United States, and the impressions made by what he saw, he remarks on the general indifference of men of ability and character to their political responsibilities. The conduct of public affairs seems to be left wholly in the hands of unscrupulous political partisans. Only when great interests are at stake will leaders in society and business take any personal concern in the settlement of political problems.

To judge from what appears in the newspaper press of England, or in accounts of English social life in letters or in novels, it is very different in England. The great non-conformist bodies almost to a man, take a deep interest in all matters of public moment. Church and State are so intimately bound together that leaders in the Established Church cannot afford to be indifferent to the political problems before the nation at any given time. But individualism is so rampant in American life and institutions, that men absorbed in their own private interests and the advancement of their own particular schemes, look down with contempt on those who devote themselves to the management of public affairs. From their loftiness they cannot condescend to engage personally in what concerns the public welfare, unless it happens

to coincide with their own personal aggrandizement, or runs counter to it.

It is a deplorable condition of society, when those who ought to take a position of leadership, thus deliberately or thoughtlessly shirk their responsibilities. How few have Lincoln's convictions, how much fewer his ability to express them, as in his famous address at the dedication of Gettysburg Cemetery, when he called upon his hearers to highly resolve that not for any failure on their part should the government of the people for the people by the people fail from off the earth.

One such man is a host, and the call of the times, on those whom the State is educating for citizenship, grows louder and more urgent with each advancing decade. "Fit yourself for leadership."

There is an opportunity and a call in this community in the changing condition of society. But who is forecasting the future before our young men or making any provision to enlist their interest in service for the public welfare? What encouragement is given by the example of those who have piled up their shekels here, and then transferred their incomes with their homes and their families to other communities? What inducement to a young man to devote himself to such service, when public office is the monopoly of a particular class, and not the open field for honest and honorable competition? What encouragement to fit one's self for public service, when if a young man seems willing to take a government appointment, rather than a position under some private firm or corporation, he is looked upon almost as if he had forsworn his manhood? If this community wishes to have public interests well served it cannot afford to neglect or to disfavor the growth of public spirit in our young men. Competitive examinations upon educational qualifications should take the place of political friendships.

The invasion of Hawaii by Japan is a peaceful invasion and all the powder and shot the flagship Philadelphia can carry will not stop it more effectively than the methods followed by the Government. As the news of the reception given the immigrants sent by the Shinshu Maru has doubtless reached Japan by this time we doubt if there will be any further attempts to land men who have not the necessary wherewithal. The Japanese steamship companies will hereafter keep a closer watch on the passengers they book for Hawaii. The invading host has been checked somewhat, but it isn't stopped yet and never will be if the Asiatic is given preference in the labor market. The root of the evil cannot be touched by the alien law.

The finest, and the cheapest roses for the New York market, to the number of half a million per year are furnished, not by an "experienced gardener," but by a cotton merchant in his seventy-third year who put brains in the business and kicked over the "great experience" of the gardeners. The "practical" men told him his meth-

ods were foolish and impracticable, yet his theories won the day.

"It is not that The Star does not think that the Government has not." Of course not. The poor comp says not, and the proof reader says not. Undoubtedly the editor meant nit. In any case it is a knotty nit to unravel.

THE STAR OF HAWAII.

We are looking for the coming—
Yes, it is coming bye and bye
To the Gem of the Pacific,
The Star of Hawaii;
In the new dispensation,
In the Isles of Hawaii,
In America's constellation
May she glisten bye and bye.

May her progress be forward,
Her rulers imbued from on high
In wisdom to guide her
To that haven bye and bye.
Where she will shine in the West,
Liberty's monument so grand,
With peace and contentment
Throughout the Island land.

For the progress of nations
Westward trends its way,
And a glorious civilization
Shall shine here bright as day.
The finger of Destiny is pointed,
Civilization's die is cast,
And, Phoenix-like, from her ashes
Shall she rise from a misty past.

Yes, we are waiting for the dawning
Of this millennium day
Of a grander civilization
That is coming to Hawaii Nei,
And in the new dispensation
In the Isles of Hawaii,
In America's constellation
May she glisten bye and bye. X.

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TIMELY TOPICS

ON FEED BOXES.

The Hawaiian Jockey Club have finally decided upon holding their meeting on 11th June next, and given a fine day, there is no reason why it should not be the most successful in the history of the Club.

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About the most satisfactory device known for preventing waste and bolting of food, is to be found in the

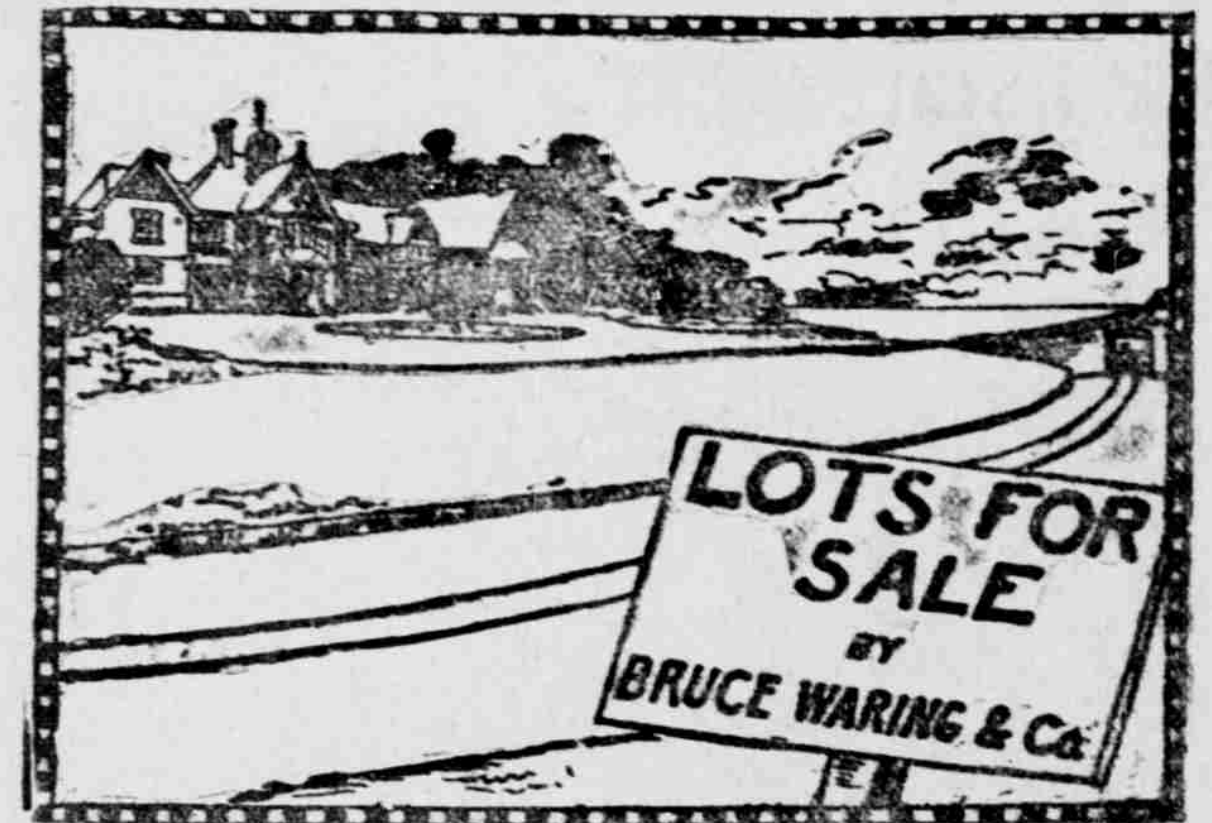
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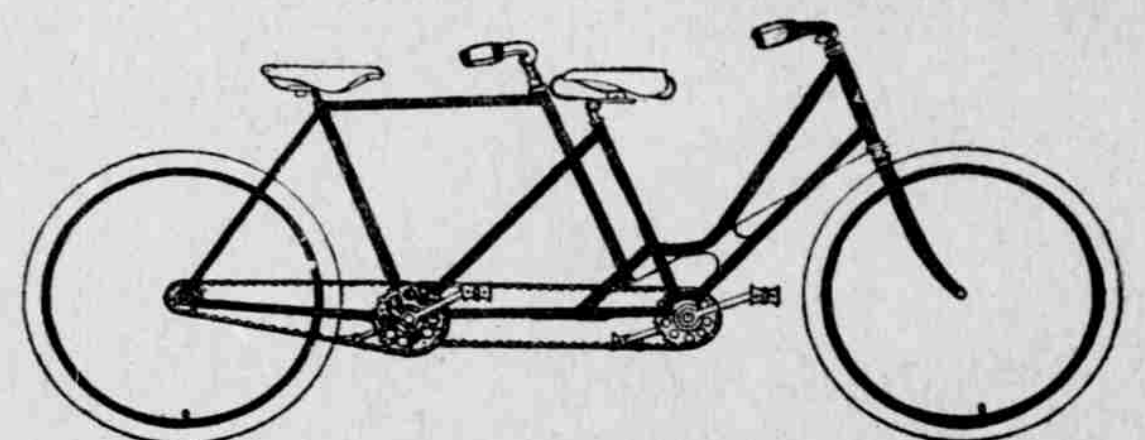
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PRINTED DUCKS, 10 yards for \$1.
20 yards WHITE COTTON for \$1.
15 yards BROWN COTTON for \$1.
81-inch BLEACHED SHEETING, at 16c. per yard.
90-inch BLEACHED SHEETING, at 22 1-2 c. per yard.

All Last Season's Dress Goods at 15c. per yard. These are worth from 25c. to 30c. per yard.

15 yards WHITE DRESS GOODS for \$1.
34 dozen MEN'S CLOTH CAPS at 45c. each.
BEDSPREADS at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50 each.
12 yards WHITE DRESS GOODS for \$1.
TOWELS at 35c, 55c, 75c. and \$1 per dozen.
STRAW and FELT HATS at exactly half price.

TABLE LINEN at 37 1-2c. per yard.
DOTTED SWISS, 8 yards for \$1.
15 yards WHITE COTTON for \$1.
42-inch PILLOW CASING, 8 yards for \$1.
81-inch BLEACHED SHEETING, 20c. per yard.
LACE CURTAINS, 3 1-2 yards long, \$2.50 per pair.
DAMASK NAPKINS, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 per dozen.

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